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Via Electronic Filing (ECFS)

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

RE: <u>NOTIFICATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION</u>

In the Matters of Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket No. 03-123; Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program, CG Docket No.

10-51

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 13th, Sprint Corporation ("Sprint") representatives Scott Freiermuth, Mike Ellis, Claudia Gordon and Dennis Selznick met with Karen Strauss, Eliot Greenwald, and Bob Aldrich of the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau ("CGB" or "Bureau") as well as Andrew Mulitz from the Office of the Managing Director ("OMD"). The purpose of the conversation was to discuss Internet Protocol Relay ("IP Relay").

Sprint urged the Bureau to adopt Sprint's waiver request which would allow Sprint to recover its costs for outreach to DeafBlind consumers for



whom IP Relay is a vital service.¹ Consistent with its comments in 2018 TRS Rate proceeding, Sprint also discussed the need for the Commission to restructure² IP Relay to ensure its long term viability.

This filing is made in accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's rules. In the event there are any concerns regarding this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

/s/ Scott R. Freiermuth

Cc: Karen Peltz Strauss
Eliot Greenwald
Bob Aldrich
Andrew Mulitz

See, Sprint Request for Renewal of Limited Waiver, *In the Matters of Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, CG Docket No. 03-123; *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program*, CG Docket No. 10-51 (filed May 29, 2018).

See, Comments of Sprint Corporation, In the Matters of Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket No. 03-123; Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program, CG Docket No. 10-51 (filed May 29, 2018). (filed May 29, 2018),